

Claims

1 1. A device incorporating a first radio system operating at a first range of
2 frequencies of operation and a second radio system operating at a second range
3 of frequencies of operation, wherein at least a part of said first and second range
4 of frequencies overlap, wherein the device further comprises a control means
5 adapted to control the first and second radio systems such that only one
6 or the other radio system may transmit at any one time.

1 2. The device of claim 1, wherein the first radio system is a Bluetooth system
2 and the second radio system is an IEEE 802.11 system.

1 3. The device of claim 1, wherein the device is additionally controlled such
2 that when one device is transmitting the other device cannot receive or transmit.

1 4. The device of claim 3 wherein the device is additionally controlled such
2 that when one device is receiving the other device cannot receive or transmit.

1 5. The device of claim 2, wherein the control means comprises a switching
2 means adapted to switch on and off the first and second radio systems.

1 6. The device of claim 2, wherein the control means comprises a multiplexing
2 means adapted to time multiplex transmissions from the first and second radio
3 systems.

1 7. The device of claim 2, wherein the control means comprises a multiplexing
2 means adapted to time multiplex transmissions from the Bluetooth and IEEE
3 802.11 radio systems, the IEEE 802.11 and Bluetooth transmissions being
4 multiplexed into Bluetooth time-slots.

1 8. The device of claim 7, wherein the Bluetooth transmissions are through a
2 single HV2 SCO link connection, the IEEE 802.11 transmissions being in two
3 time-slots in every four.

1 9. The device of claim 7, wherein the Bluetooth transmissions are through a
2 single HV3 SCO link connection, the IEEE 802.11 transmissions being in four
3 time-slots in every six.

1 10. The device of claim 7, wherein the Bluetooth transmissions are through
2 two HV3 SCO link connections, the IEEE 802.11 transmissions being in two
3 time-slots in every six.

1 11. The device of claim 2, wherein the control means prevents transmission
2 of IEEE 802.11 packets during a Bluetooth ACL packet transmission.

1 12. The device of claim 2, wherein the control means prevents transmission
2 of Bluetooth ACL packets during an IEEE 802.11 packet transmission.

1 13. The device of claim 12 in which the first and second radio systems share
2 a common physical layer.

1 14. A method of incorporating a first radio system operating at a first range
2 of frequencies of operation and a second radio system operating at a second
3 range of frequencies of operation, wherein at least a part of said first and second
4 range of frequencies overlap, into a single device, wherein the first and second
5 radio systems are controlled such that only one or the other radio system
6 transmits at any one time.

1 15. The method of claim 14, wherein the first radio system is a Bluetooth
2 system and the second radio system is an IEEE 802.11 system.

1 16. The method of claim 15 further comprising controlling the radio systems
2 such that when one radio system is transmitting the other cannot receive or
3 transmit.

1 17. The method of claim 16 further comprising controlling the radio systems
2 such that when one is receiving the other cannot receive or transmit.

1 18. The method of claim 15, wherein the radio systems are controlled by
2 switching on and off the first and second radio systems.

1 19. The method of claim 15, comprising time multiplexing transmissions
2 from the Bluetooth and IEEE 802.11 radio systems, the IEEE 802.11 and
3 Bluetooth transmissions being multiplexed into Bluetooth time-slots.

1 20. The method of claim 19, wherein the Bluetooth transmissions are through
2 a single HV2 SCO link connection, the IEEE 802.11 transmissions being in two
3 time-slots in every four.

1 21. The method of claim 19, wherein the Bluetooth transmissions are through
2 a single HV3 SCO link connection, the IEEE 802.11 transmissions being in four
3 time-slots in every six.

1 22. The method of claim 19, wherein the Bluetooth transmissions are through
2 two HV3 SCO link connections, the IEEE 802.11 transmissions being in two
3 time-slots in every six.

1 23. The method of claim 15 further comprising preventing transmission of
2 IEEE 802.11 packets during a Bluetooth ACL packet transmission.

1 24. The method of claim 15 further comprising preventing transmission of
2 Bluetooth ACL packets during an IEEE 802.11 packet transmission.

1 25. The method of claim 24 in which the first and second radio systems share
2 a common physical layer.